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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the application of:

YOSHINAGA et al.

Art Unit: 2165

Application No.: Continuation Application of

08/802,273

Examiner: H. Kazimi

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r: PANEL DISPLAYING METHOD OF ORDER RECEIVING POS TERMINAL AND

ORDER RECEIVING POS TERMINAL

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents Washington, D. C. 20231

July 16, 2001

Dear Sir:

In support of a Continuation Application filed herewith, and prior to examination on the merits, please amend the above-identified Application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please cancel claims 1, 5, 6, 7, 8 and 10 without prejudice or disclaimer.

Please add claims 13-15 as follows:

- 13. (New) The order receiving POS terminal according to claim 3, further comprising the step of, when plural sets of plural items are selected, holding the pop-up display on such display unit until after the number of the selected optional items reaches the number of optional-item lists corresponding to said predetermined value.

14. (New) The order receiving POS terminal according to claim 4, further comprising the steps of, when plural sets of plural items are selected, holding the pop-up display on such display unit until after the number of the selected optional items reaches the number of optional-item lists corresponding to said predetermined value.

15. (New) A registering method for registering a selected one of a plurality of different sets of articles, each set being a combination of at least one base item and at least one optional item different from the base item, the base item being unsel ctable, and